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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 6, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, amend paragraph 0038 to read as follows:

[0038] The end portions on a lower side 72b of the plate 70 are abutted against the flanges 52b, 62b and welded. An end portion of the bottom plate 71 between the extension portions 73 and the flange 72b protrudes from the end of the flange 72b.

Page 8, amend paragraph 0046 to read as follows:

[0046] When the tool 130 has been moved entirely around the inside of the